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In re patent application of:

BOARA, *et al.*

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Petition for Extension of Time to Ensure Co-Pendency

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the Office Action in the above-captioned application dated April 17, 2009, be extended for a one month period. This extension of time is being requested so as to ensure co-pendency between this application and a divisional application being concurrently filed.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) is believed to be \$130.00 for a one-month extension. The PTO has been authorized to charge Applicants' credit card this fee. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than that provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application prior to the filing of the related divisional application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned and may be charged, along with any other required fees, to our Deposit Account No. 50-4056 under Order No. 7601/84393. Any overpayment may be credited to the same Deposit account under the same Order Number.

Respectfully submitted,

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